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NORTHEAST BOASTS INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT;  
RECRUITS WORKERS IN SOUTH CHINA

PORT ARTHUR-DAIREN DISTRICT ADVANCES -- New York Hua-ch'iao Jih-pao, 28 Mar 50

Dairen, 21 March (Hsin-hua) -- The 1949 project for economic and cultural advancement in the Port Arthur-Dairen Administrative District has been highly effective. In 1949, the total value of industrial production exceeded 87 percent of the total over-all production values for the district. Illiteracy and unemployment have been wiped out.

The 31 public enterprises under the Port Arthur-Dairen Administrative District averaged better than 30 percent above the 1949 production estimates and the varieties of products have increased 70 percent over 1948. A majority among the Dairen Chemical, Kuang-ho Machinery, and 11 other plants slated for expansion or rehabilitation in the 1949-50 economic rehabilitation plans have already begun production. The Dairen Industrial Exposition, held in September 1949, gave the first impetus to this industrial development through its presentation of industrial production experience.

Currency Secure, Prices Down

Since the currency reform was instituted throughout the district late in 1948, and the policy of lowering commodity prices was effected, the consequent stabilization of currency has had a beneficial effect on production and living conditions. In 1949, commodity prices dropped 32.75 percent, on the average, and the workers' average purchasing power rose more than 48 percent.

Commerce Serves Industry

Since its inception in 1949, the policy of gearing commerce to the needs of industry, and directing trade so as to serve production, has had excellent results in the marketing of products, purchasing of raw materials, serving the people's needs, and stabilizing commodity prices.

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Despite the severe typhoon destruction, agricultural production in the whole district responded well during 1949 to the timely practice of supplementary planting and other procedures. The total production reached 220,000 tons.

#### Unemployment Wiped Out

Following the development in production, marked improvements have been made in employment conditions and sanitation. Unemployment has been eliminated throughout the district and more than 107,900 persons are now employed, representing an increase of 26.5 percent over 1948. Health activities in the factories are highly regarded; there are now eight hospitals and 48 dispensaries in the district, operating exclusively for workmen.

RECRUITS TECHNICALLY TRAINED PERSONNEL -- New York Hua-ch'iao Jih-pao, 24 Mar 50

Canton -- Northeast reconstruction is progressing at tremendous speed, and persons with every kind of training are in demand. The Ministry of Industry of the Northeast People's government has sent a recruiting corps south to recruit technically skilled personnel. This corps has already reached Canton and is about to recruit a large group of teachers, technicians, accountants, and statisticians, as follows:

#### 1. General

Specialists, teachers, engineers, researchers, technicians, cost accountants, and statisticians of all kinds, are needed for the various industrial universities and high-level vocational schools of the Northeast Scientific Research Office and the light and heavy industries (mines and factories) under the Ministry of Industry. All interested persons may apply.

#### 2. Job Classifications

- a. Geology, physics, chemistry, biology, mathematics.
- b. Ore extraction, metallurgy, electricity, public works, construction, chemical engineering, surveying, cartography.
- c. Accounting, cost accounting, statistics.

#### 3. Qualifications

- a. Candidates must be graduates of any domestic or foreign university, or of an institution on a level equal to or higher than a specialized school, or graduates of a high-level vocational school; they must possess proper certification. There is no restriction as to age or sex.

#### 4. Application Procedure

- a. Submit graduation certificate and occupational certificate.
- b. Submit a personal history form in duplicate, with two 2-inch photographs attached.
- c. Submit a letter of introduction from a government agency, a popular organization, or a government office on the level of ch'u or higher.

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## 5. Treatment

a. Wages will be paid in accordance with the Northeast People's government Revised Wage Standards of 1 January 1950 -- from 100 to 1,100 wage units (fen).

b. Travel expenses and expenses of food and lodging en route will be paid from government funds. Employees may take only members of their immediate family with them.

NORTHEAST CALLS FOR WORKERS -- New York Hua-ch'iao Jih-pao, 25 Mar 50

The Hong Kong Ta Kung Pao published the following editorial on 16 March:

The rapid reconstruction program now being carried on under the leadership of the Northeast government demands the services of many engineers, specialists, all grades of technicians, medical workers, and industrial teachers.

The Northeast has the largest open-cut coal mine in the world, and very important steel, chemical, oil refining, zinc, and aluminum plants. There is aluminum, magnesium, alluvial and pit gold, vanadium, and yttrium mining.

There are extensive heavy and light industrial plants producing oils, acids, alkalis, materia medica, dyes, paper, cement, and tires. All these require many supporting industries. There are great research laboratories.

Industry and transport are making rapid strides in recovering from the destruction caused by war. Hence, the opportunities for men with the skills mentioned above to serve the country well are multiplying daily.

350 SKILLED CANTON WORKERS SIGN UP -- New York Hua-ch'iao Jih-pao, 25 Apr 50

Canton -- The recruiting corps sent to Canton by the Northeast Ministry of Industry in the first part of March 1950 has succeeded in attracting 350 skilled workers. Four groups totaling 100 persons have already left for Mukden and include such technicians as chemical workers, machinists, electrical workers, biologists, construction workers, geologists, ore refiners, geographers, physiotherapists, nurses, and accountants. The ages of persons recruited range from 25-35. Many have already written letters to Canton relating the magnitude of industrial reconstruction in the Northeast and the good treatment afforded skilled workers.

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